Mr Garrison

Dear Friend

I cannot refrain from expressing to you my satisfaction on reading your letter in the "Journal" on the "Case of the Virginius."

It is a cause for profound thankfulness that we still have a Watchman upon the walls who can tell us of the night: and certainly our people are, for the most part, in midnight darkness about this Spanish and Cuban question.

You are perfectly right to distrust this cry of Emancipation which proceeds from the Cuban slaveholders of New York city and which is only used as a bait for the antislavery members of our administration and Congress. The Spaniards are the military

God scatters along the ages for the redemption of man) has always revered and loved our Republic; this persecution of him and his government by us, so unjust, so undeserved will be, I fear his crucifixion. If this heroic effort of his, to establish a Republic in Spain fails, it will be priestcraft and Slavery aided and abetted by the United States, which will cause its downfall.

With my most heartfelt thanks that you have again demonstrated your motto "My Country is the World and my countrymen are all mankind" I remain

as ever your old friend

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and civil officials and merchants of the Island of Cuba, the Cubans are the slave-holders and strongest defenders of the system of slavery, and their first break with the Spanish Government was, because the Spanish laws stood between them and their slaves, and they feared the promulgation of a decree declaring Emancipation.

The property which our administration is demanding ~~to~~ peremptorily from Spain is simply the plantations and slaves of naturalized Cubans, who have forfeited them by their connection with this guerilla warfare in Cuba. Shame on us! we deserve no longer the name of a free Republic! I will not tire you with detail & state only what I know to be facts, gathered from personal experience and observation.

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